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CURATIVE CLOSING COVID-19 TESTING SITE AT MILLSIDE PARK IN EASTHAMPTON ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2022

Easthampton, MA – Curative has announced the closure of the COVID-19 testing site at Millside Park in Easthampton, effective Thursday, December 15, 2022. Curative plans to close all sites nationwide by December 31, 2022.

The City of Easthampton partnered with Curative in December of 2021 to offer free PCR testing at City Hall when the city was experiencing the highest COVID-19 case numbers recorded to date. The site moved and transitioned to a drive-through site at Millside Park in early January. To date, Curative has completed over 11,000 PCR tests at the Easthampton site.

Health Director Bri Dupras comments, "I am grateful that through our partnership with Curative and the Northampton Department of Health and Human Services, Easthampton was able to have a COVID-19 testing site available to our residents six days a week for almost a year. Our testing site was a collaborative effort, and I would like to publicly thank the Parks and Recreation Department, Department of Public Works, Easthampton Police Department, and the Northampton Department of Health and Human Services."

In the last few months, the demand for testing has declined with the increased availability of rapid tests and many testing requirements for travel ending. Rapid antigen tests are available at the Easthampton Health Department, at no cost, Monday-Thursday from 9:00 AM – 11:30 AM, or by appointment. To search for all available testing locations in Massachusetts, please visit https://www.mass.gov/covid-19-testing.